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Title: The Minister of Labour and Employment laid the statement regarding status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Welfare of Beedi Workers, pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): I beg to lay the Statement on the status of implementation of the recommendations/observations contained in the Seventeenth Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Labour on Welfare of Beedi Workers of Ministry of Labour & Employment, as per direction 73A of Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha.

The Seventeenth Report of the Committee concern the Welfare of Beedi Workers of Ministry of Labour and Employment, which was laid on the Table of the House on 24.03.2011.

I would like to mention that the Ministry had submitted the Action Taken Replies on this Report to the Committee on 02.04.2012.

The status of implementation of the recommendations/observations of the Committee, contained in the Seventeenth Report, is indicated in the Annexure to my Statement, circulated among Hon'ble Members. I would not like to take the valuable time of the House to read out all the contents of this Annexure.

I would request that this might be considered as read.

MADAM SPEAKER: Item no. 11 – Shri Pranab Mukherjee.

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): Madam, I want to make a Statement. Would I make that Statement first or introduce the Bill.

MADAM SPEAKER: You move the motion for introducing the Bill.